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Fall/Winter 2012



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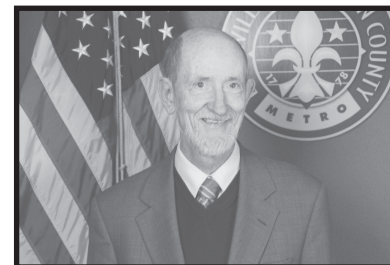
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## A MESSAGE FROM COUNCILMAN TOM OWEN



All of us in the face of Winter darkness and cold tend to hunker-down inside our house a whole lot more. For most of us, Spring to Fall warmth and sun are long gone and now it's just get by til good weather comes again.

I'm hopeful that you'll join me in trying to shake off Winter's heaviness by looking for every way possible to be outside. To go to war against the BLAHS, first make sure you've got jackets and coats lined up that will allow you to still feel vigorous in a variety of wind, darkness, dampness, and chill. Keep your wraps nearby so you won't have to spend time looking when you're ready to challenge the elements. Remember, we're not talking here about a flimsy jacket that'll just get you to the car. If you really want to attack the cold, line up now a pair of boots that will allow you to maneuver slush and snow.

Here are some great excuses for being outside more this cold season:

- \* 1. Determine to take your dog for longer walks than usual acting like you belong out there. Whatever you do, avoid just letting your pet outside while you stay in. Simply a few minutes of "pitch and fetch" will make you and Fido feel better!
- \* 2. Keep a chair handy because on a sunny day at 35 degrees I'll bet you can find the brightest side of your house protected from the wind to sit out. You'll be startled by how good it feels.
- \* 3. We need neighbors even more in the Winter! So look for an excuse to walk over just to check on one another. You don't have to stay long.
- \* 4. Whatever you do, be sure to walk outside for some distance on a snowy evening. A lawn full of sparkling diamonds or flakes swirling in the light will make your effort worthwhile.
- \* 5. WALK or PEDAL to your commercial corridor for shopping, a meal, movie, long coffee, hot chocolate, or a responsible drink. It'll be all the better if you stir in a teaspoon of conversation.
- \* 6. Decide now—rain or shine-- to be on Baxter – Bardstown Road for BARDSTOWN ROAD AGLOW on Saturday December 1st. Dress to stay awhile!
- \* 7. If we get a brief thaw, turn a little dirt in the yard in pure anticipation of the planting time to come. February is the time of year to trim back Rose bushes and Crepe Myrtle. Now this my friends is exercise....don't think of it as work.

C'mon 8th District folks: show off your Winter toughness! Hold up on hunkering-down inside! Skip the drive-thru window for a change! And don't automatically look for your car keys just because there's Winter weather outside. Our spirits will be lifted, our body will thank us, and yes there will be even more chances to build community one "Howdy Do!" at a time.



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**BARDSTOWN ROAD**  
**AGLOW**  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2012  
DUSK 'TIL 10PM



Please mark your calendars in advance for 2013 “Talk with Tom” at your local coffee houses. Tom will be at the these locations from 9 a.m. -11 a.m., so come on by and have a hot or cold beverage and tell the Councilman what’s on your mind.

January 26, 2013	Heine Brothers Coffee Shop	3060 Bardstown Road (Gardiner Lane Shopping Center)
February 23, 2013	Heine Brothers Coffee Shop	2200 Bardstown Road (Douglass Loop)
March 30, 2013	Java Brewing Company	1707 Bardstown Road
April 27, 2013	Heine Brothers Coffee Shop	822 Eastern Parkway
May 25, 2013	Day’s Coffee and Espresso Bar	1420 Bardstown Road

Glean Together!

Every year in the world 30%-50% of all food ready to harvest ends up in the landfills or is wasted in the fields. If food justice is important to you and if you are interested in participating in meaningful volunteer work with a committed group of people, then here is a great opportunity for you. Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light launched their Glean Together! program this season and is looking for more volunteers next year. Glean Together is committed to reducing food waste by gathering excess produce from local farmer’s markets and distributing it to pantries serving communities in need.

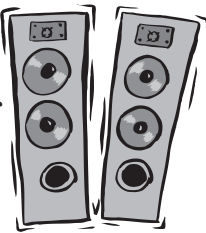
Come join a group of fun caring people who are raising awareness on the impact of food waste on our communities and planet. There are many types of volunteer commitments that will fit every schedule. If you are interested in joining, or would like more information, call Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light at 210-8920 or email Aaron Tornes at aaron@kentuckyipl.org. Come be a part of this important work and let’s Glean Together!

Deer Park Neighborhood Association’s Winterfest

December 6, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Winterfest is a free holiday event held at the DePaul School on Duker Ave. off Bardstown Road.

Students from Hawthorne Dual Language Elementary School will dance, sing and accompany themselves on musical instruments. Show will start at 7 p.m.



Tyler Park Neighborhood Association 7th Annual Wine Tasting at Mid City Mall

January 27, 2013 5:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$25.00 which includes 6 tastings provided by Wine Market, appetizers and cheese provided by ValuMarket, and spirited music by Appalatin.

Tickets will be available at Wine Market the beginning of December.

All proceeds benefit the implementation of the Tyler Park Master Plan. For more information contact jdubay@gmail.com .



8th District Community Contact List

**Belknap Neighborhood Association:**  
Tim Mayer, 681.7255, jtm\_ukfan@yahoo.com; (2nd Wed., Highlands Kroger, 2nd fl conference room) 7:00 pm

**Bonnycastle Homestead Association:**  
Jessica Loving, 1616 Cherokee Road, 40205, 451.8410; jessloving@bellsouth.net (2nd Tues., Commodore) 7:00 pm

**Cherokee Triangle Neighborhood Association:**  
Peggie Elgin, 1050 Everett Ave., 40204, 459.0256; cherokeetriangle@bellsouth.net; (3rd Mon., Library at MidCity Mall) 7:00 pm

**Deer Park Neighborhood Association:**  
Tim Darst, 1532 Quadrant, 40205, 458.3268 (2nd Thurs., Bardstown Road Presbyterian Church, 1722 Bardstown Road) 7:00 pm

**Highland-Douglass Neighborhood Association:**  
Norma Miller, 2216 Douglass Blvd, 40205; 458-9518 (1st Wed., Douglass Community Ctr.) 6:30pm

**Original Highlands Neighborhood Association:**  
Jackie Leslie, 1322 Morton Avenue, 40204; 582.2112 jackie.leslie@insightbb.com (3rd Mon., Metro. Community Church) 7:00pm

**Tyler Park Neighborhood Association:**  
Brian Caudill, 1647 Beechwood Avenue, 40204, 439-8030 brian.caudill@insightbb.com; (4th Thurs., Library at MidCity Mall) 7:00 pm

**Upper Highlands Neighborhood Association:**  
Bob Kotheimer, 2836 Whiteway Ave., 40205, 459.7150; decpaint1989@yahoo.com; (3rd Wed. every other month, 2100 Gardiner Lane, Sullivan University College of Pharmacy, Conference Room) 7:00 pm

**City of Strathmoor Manor:**  
Dennis Boyd, 459.2971; (4th Thursday, Republic Bank, 2801 Bardstown Road)

**Highlands Commerce Guild:** Larry Rother, 633 Baxter Ave., 235.2707, LarryRother@ThehighlandsofLouisville.com; (last Wed. 8:30 a.m., Gilda's Club)

**Strathmoor Village:**  
Mayor Jay Bowman, 276.5440; mayor@cityofstrathmoorvillage.com (2nd Monday, First Capital Bank, Bardstown Rd. and Gladstone Ave.) 6:30 pm

**City of Kingsley:**  
Mayor Rebecca Beld, 452-6478; www.cityofkingsley.org (1st Thurs., First Capital Bank, Bardstown Rd. and Gladstone Ave.) 7:00 pm

**City of Seneca Gardens:**  
Mayor David Brown, 459-2780; info@cityofsenecagardens.com (3rd Monday, Keneseth Israel Synagogue - rear) 6:30 pm



Louisville Metro  
Frequently Called Numbers

Air Pollution Control	574.6000
Animal Control	363.6609
Crisis Center	589.4313
Councilman Tom Owen	574.1108
County Clerk	574.5700
Court Information	574.5803
Drivers License Information	595.4405
Emergency	911
Health Department	574.6520
Highland Comm. Ministries	451.3695
Inspections, Permits and	
Licenses (Codes & Regulations)	574.3321
LG&E	589.1444
Louisville Water Company	569.3600
Louisville Zoo	459.2181
MetroCall	311 or 574.5000
Metro Council Clerk	574.3902
Metro Parks	456.8100
Metro United Way-Help Line	211
MSD (sewers)	587.0603
Mosquito Control	574.6650
Planning and Design	574.6230
Poison Control	589.8222
Police Dispatch	574.7111
Property Valuation	574.6380
Public Library	574.1611
Sheriff	574.5400
TARC	585.1234
Voter Registration	574.6100



## What Do I Need to do if I Want to Add a Fence, Expand a Garage or Make Improvements to My Home?

**Here is a proactive residential “cheat sheet” for those who are thinking about adding on or making changes to your residence or property.**

1. There are 2 layers of regulation at work here – Zoning/Land Development Code, and the Building Code.
2. Per Land Development Code the garage needs to be 2’ minimum off the property line and, depending on the lot there could be further restrictions on size and height. A fence can be on side and rear property lines with a maximum height of 8’ for opaque fences, and 6’ on non-opaque (like chain link) fencing.
3. Per Building Code, exterior walls closer than 3’ to the property line and their overhangs/eaves need to be fire rated. Garages and outbuildings larger than 120 square feet need a building permit. Fences taller than 6’ need a building permit.

For zoning questions call Planning & Design at 574.6230 or go online to [www.louisvilleky.gov](http://www.louisvilleky.gov) for more information. There is a zoning enforcement team that will investigate any complaints or concerns about zoning violations – just call MetroCall at 311 and concerns will be forwarded to that team for investigation.

These are just a few of the questions that have come to our 8th District office over the past year. Hope this helps as a guild if you are looking to make improvements!

**Remember,  
Wheels  
and Feet  
Share the Street!**

Keep the  
Highlands  
Safe and Fun  
for everyone!



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## Louisville Metro Makes More Information Available Online for Citizens

### Open Data Portal

We're committed to Transparency.  
Find out more here.

Latest Datasets	
Animal Services Outcomes	10/29/12
Animal Services Inventory Data	10/29/12
Bike Route Data	09/24/12
Salary Data	09/21/12
Park Data	09/20/12
Restaurant Inspection Data	09/20/12
Expenditures Data	09/20/12

**Louisville, KY OpenData - About the Data**

Louisville Metro Government is committed to increasing the openness and transparency of government. This site is dedicated to providing citizens with access and insight into the city's information.

Use the catalog below to access LouisvilleKy.gov's datasets. Click on the name of a dataset to view additional metadata for that dataset. By accessing the data catalogs, you agree to the [Data Policy](#). The Raw Data catalog provides an instant download of machine readable, platform-independent datasets.

### New Open Data Portal one more step in opening city government to citizens

Louisville Metro Government is now making it easier for citizens to find and use city government data and information. From animal adoption rates to alcoholic beverage permits to crime statistics, construction permits and property maintenance cases – it's all available at the city's new Open Data Portal (<http://data.louisvilleky.gov>).

Similar in design and function to the federal (<http://www.data.gov>) site, Metro Government's Open Data Portal presents city data in a format that's easy for people to access and use, and automates the process for presenting the data on line.

The data site offers the following:

- Raw data sets for city expenditures, employee salaries, board members, park locations and amenities, animal services population results, news and calendar events and links to other sites with useful data and maps;
- Fast data delivery;
- The most accurate data with automatic uploading -- eliminating manual processes;
- Published data sources via API that can be exposed with metadata and filtering views giving IT developers more flexibility in how they can use the data;
- Cost savings as the site was built in-house without the cost of using an outside vendor which helps city government save on data maintenance and publishing;
- A design that functions well with iPads, tablets, and smart phones.

Louisville Metro Government is rapidly earning a national reputation for technology and transparency. Earlier this year the city's website --- [www.louisvilleky.gov](http://www.louisvilleky.gov) --- was named the best city government website in the U.S. by the Center for Digital Government.

In April, Metro Government was ranked among the top 10 city governments in using social media to engage and communicate with citizens. The ranking came from the University of Illinois Chicago which placed Louisville 8th, just behind New York, Seattle, Portland and San Francisco, among others.



## Major Mark H. Fox ~ Commander of the Fifth Division

Major Mark H. Fox is currently assigned as the Commander of the Fifth Division.

He became a police cadet with the Jefferson County Police Department (JCPD) at the age of 18. In 1985, Fox became a sworn police officer.

Fox served in all four of the former suburban districts in varying capacities. Additional assignments for Fox included the former Criminal Investigations Section and the former Public Information Office (PIO). During his stint in the PIO, Fox developed a local news segment titled, "Fugitive File".

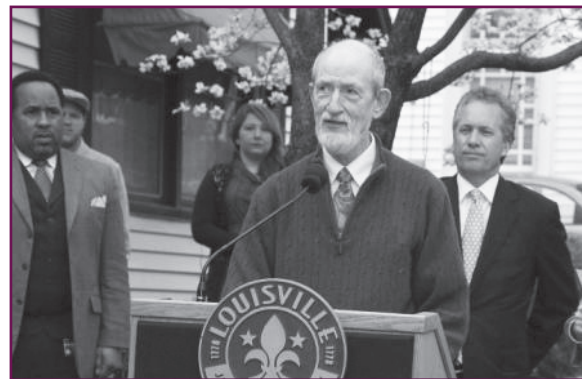
Once promoted to sergeant, Fox commanded the former Special Investigations Unit in addition to district level assignments.

As a lieutenant, Fox was assigned to Special Operations, the Eighth Division and most recently the Third Division. Fox has been a member of the Hostage Negotiation Team (HNT). He developed the former JCPD Dignitary Protection Team and helped implement the newly merged LMPD team.

As a major, Fox commanded the Seventh Division.

Major Fox is a graduate of the Southern Police Institute.

In 1995, he was the recipient of the Medal of Honor, the department's highest award.



## Expanded Residential Recycling Program

*All residents of the Urban Services District can participate*

While only two neighborhoods, Cloverleaf and Portland, will receive free large recycling cans under a grant funded pilot, all residents of the Urban Services District now have the option of purchasing the 95-gallon recycling cart for \$50. Carts are now available for purchase by calling MetroCall 311 or by printing out the form at [www.louisvilleky.gov/solidwaste/recycling](http://www.louisvilleky.gov/solidwaste/recycling) and mailing it in with a check or money order. If a residential unit has more than one 95-gallon garbage cart, they can exchange it for a new recycling cart at no charge.

The expanded recycling program is one of five Innovation Delivery Team projects announced in May as part of the \$5 million Bloomberg Philanthropies Grant Louisville received last year.



## History of the Tyler Park Bridge



A bridge usually connects two places, but the Tyler Park Bridge connects two eras. In the era before the bridge, our Tyler Park was a suburban area just starting to grow. Once the bridge was in place, the neighborhood quickly took the form we recognize today.

Before the bridge, most of today's major roads were in place and subdivisions had started populating the streets with new homes, but the movement toward the suburbs was not yet in full force. Most of the land south and southeast of St. Louis Cemetery on Barret Avenue was still undeveloped.

The site of the future Tyler Park in the first years of the Twentieth Century was "a hole in the ground, an unsightly yawning pit", according to a 1913 article in the Courier-Journal, adding that "refuse and debris had been dumped there for years".

The Parks Commission, headed by General John Castleman, wanted to fix that and to realize a vision of parks and parkways throughout the city. Property owners supported the parks plan, as well as expansion of the city sewer systems and streets. One key piece was a road Von Borries Avenue (now Baxter Avenue) that ran east and south from Highland Avenue to Newburg Road. It needed paving, its steep slopes needed grading, and its path across the "unsightly yawning pit" at the Tyler Park site required a bridge.

The graceful stone Tyler Park Bridge and associated road improvements overseen by Chief City Engineer J.B.F. Breed were completed in 1904. Breed and Louisville Mayor Charles Granger's names along with five other notables are carved into the stone dedication plaque on the bridge.

With the iconic bridge in place, the neighborhood was able to complete its growth. Property owners around the park's perimeter donated or sold land to the Parks Commission in 1906, with conditions that the land be used as a park and that a road be built along its eastern edge.

In 1907 Tyler Park and playground were opened honoring former Louisville Mayor Henry S. Tyler, who had died in 1896.

As the years passed the bridge gained and lost a companion structure. A combination rest station and bandstand was built in 1924, with quarried stone construction matching the bridge. It stood where the Tot Lot is now, between the arch and the tennis courts on the eastern side. Its roof served as the bandstand for the concerts and public meetings in the park until 1960. By then its use had dwindled enough that restroom maintenance had become an issue and the city tore the old building down.

The revival of the park and the neighborhood came twenty years later. Almost eighty years after Mr. Breed completed his grand work, our era officially recognized his achievement. On July 3, 1984, the City of Louisville's Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission voted unanimously to designate the Tyler Park Bridge as a local landmark.